

Penalty. cause the same to be posted before the mayor's office ten days before the annual election of commissioners, and publish an abstract of the same in a city newspaper or otherwise; and the commissioners failing to comply with the duties prescribed in this section shall forfeit and pay for the use of the city, and him who shall sue thereof [therefor], fifty dollars.

Duties and powers of constable. SEC. 32. That it shall be the duty of the constable to see that the laws, ordinances and the orders of the commissioners are enforced, and report all breaches thereof to the mayor; to preserve the peace of the city by suppressing disturbances and apprehending offenders, and for that purpose he shall have all the powers and authority vested in sheriffs and county constables; he shall execute all precepts lawfully directed to him by the mayor or others; and in the execution thereof shall have the same powers which the sheriff and constables of the county have, and he shall have the same fees on all process and precepts executed or returned by him which may be allowed to the constables of the county on like process and precepts, and also such other compensation as the commissioners shall allow.

Additional compensation. Arrests by constable. SEC. 33. That the constable shall have the same powers and be bound by the same rules in this respect as constables of the county of Alamance to apprehend all offenders against the state within the limits of the city and to carry them before the mayor or some justice of the peace, and for such duty he shall have the same fees as constables of said county, to be paid by the party offending if found guilty, otherwise by the city; unless the mayor should be satisfied that there is no probable cause for the prosecution, and in such cases he may ascertain the instigator of the prosecutor and tax him with the costs.

Night watch. SEC. 34. That the commissioners may provide a patrol or night-watch for the city and prescribe the duties and powers of the several officers, numbers and classes thereof, and may pay such patrol or watch, or may class the inhabitants into such patrol or watch.

Duty of inhabitants to serve as watch. SEC. 35. That the inhabitants when classed into a watch shall each one, either in person or by a good substitute, serve in turn when ordered out by the mayor or other person appointed by the mayor as commandant of the watch.

Penalty for failure. SEC. 36. That any such person being of the watch or patrol, and failing to serve and faithfully discharge his duty, shall forfeit and pay to the city for each default, if an officer of the watch two dollars, if not one dollar.

Taxation. SEC. 37. That in order to raise a fund incident to the proper government of the city and other expenses which [it] may be authorized by law to pay, the commissioners may annually collect the following taxes, namely:

Ad valorem tax. (1). On real estate and personalty situate within the corporate limits of the city, a tax not exceeding twenty cents on every hundred dollars value.